IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of |) Group Art Unit: 2465 |
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| Stewart Frederick Bryant, et al. |) Examiner: Anthony M. Sol |
| Application No. 10/620,866 |) Confirmation No.: 9132 |
| Filed: July 15, 2003 |)) |
| For: Method and Apparatus for Forwarding a Tunneled Packet in a Data Communications Network |))) |

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed on November 9, 2009, for which the shortened statutory period for reply ends on February 9, 2010, applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

- Amendments to Claims begin on page 2.
- Remarks begin on page 13.